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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 183, Naszau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-

bourns and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BRAN & BLACK, San Fran-

CHINA: -- Swatow, QUELOH & CAMPBELL WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & Walsh, Manila, C. ERIMPERE & Co. Macco, L. A. DA GRAGA.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars, RESERVE FUND, 500,000 Dollars,

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-H. Hoppius, Esq. Deputy Chairman-F. D. Sassoon, Esq. AD. ANDRE, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. A. Molves, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Eaq. ED. TOBIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Honghong, . . THOMAS JACKSON, Eaq. Manager.

. . Ewen Camenon, Esq. Shanghal LONDON BANKERS. - London and County

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED N Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of I per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits : --For 3 months, 2 per cent, per annum. 4 per cent. 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Unisf Manager,

Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TR. DALTON SAYLE was admitted Partner in our Firm on the 81st of July, 1876.

SAYLE & Co. Hougkong, March 16, 1877.

NOTICE.

TR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct th Business of my Office, during m Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyds Register of Shipping.

2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

NOTICE.

R. FERDINAND NISSEN has been com-pelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the Slat December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been authorised to sign for us by Procuration; our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE. TITE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSO-

CLATION. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, February 3, 1877.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY. N and after the 16th day of November,

1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN-SARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM, CRUICKSHANK,

Manager. Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the pains of MESTERN & HULBE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be -used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,

W. HULSE, Canton, Desember 81, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY, the 12th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.,-

ON THE SPOT (Unless previously disposed of by Private

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 54, comprising 10,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 100 feet, and from East to West 100 feet, with a substantial Brick Dwelling House and Out-houses built thereon, known as "Carlton House." Annual Crown Rent, \$131.40.

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet, with a substantial Brick Godown built thereon.

That Piece or Unbuilt Levelled GROUND, attached to the above Lot, and Registered in Land Office as same Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet. Annual Crown Rent, \$185.08, for Inland Lot No. 768.

TERMS:--One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the remainder on completion of the Deed of Transfer. The Buildings will be at purchaser's risk after the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 13, 1877.

Intimations.

HONGKONG.

GAUPP & WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS.

38, Queen's Road, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

CHRONOMETERS. Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately

rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

COMMENCING on FRIDAY Next, the 16th Instant, the Steamer POWAN will Run as a Night Boat between HONG-KONG and CANTON, leaving Honekone on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 5 30 p.m., and Canton on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, at 5.00 p.m.

By Order, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

TIO Expedite the Delivery of Telegrams,

this Company's London Station has been connected by Pneumatic Tubes with the We have this day reopened a branch of following Post Office Telegraph Stations !--Lothbury-Founder's Court.

No. 27, Cornhill, No. 58, Threadneedle Street. The Baltic. Gresbain House.

No. 150, Leadenball Street. No 42. Fenchurch Street. No. 76. Lower Thames Street.

Mark Lane. No. 8, Eastcheap. No. 101, Canton Street.

St. Martin's Old General Post Office. New General Post Office, Ludgate Circus. Temple Bar. West Strand.

Instead of going through the General Post Office, Messages will be distributed at once by the Company's own Messengers, unless they can be tubed more quickly through the above mentioned Stations,

GEORGE J. HELLAND,

General Agent, Shanghai, March 16, 1877.

TO WONG HING OBEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at of. Praya, or to Mr Far Jack, at 60, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

Penang, Municipal Office, The 21st September, 1876.

at Penang.

Intimations.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This Brandy is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

POMMERY & GRENO'S

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE.

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

NOTICE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been Appointed SOLE AGENTS for China and Japan, for JOSEPH STARREY, LONDON,

Manufacturer of GOLD and SILVER LACES Embroidery, &c., and Military and Naval Appointments of every

A Stock of these Goods will be kept on hand, for the Regiments stationed here, as well as for the ENGLISH and AMERICAN

Hongkong, March 14, 1877. NOTICE.

AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Barque "GARIBALDI," will be require. RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTs contracted

by the Crew. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors, WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON.

1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE CO 20, Uld Broad Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1886. CAPITAL,£1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND,....£ 340,000

TATH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSUR-ANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appoint. ed Mr A. McIver as its AGENT in Hong.

By Order of the Board of Directors; ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Polities on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class Steamer.

A. MoIVER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PENANG,

THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang HE Municipal Commissioners of Penang from page 182.)
are desirous of receiving DESIGNS A Legend of the Peking Bell-Tower, for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situate between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to excead \$30,000.

The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of

\$400 for the best and most suitable Design

with Specifications; and competitors have the option of forwarding Tenders for earrying out the work. The Designs, accompanied with all documents, are to be sent to the Municipal Office Penang on or before the 1st of March next, For further information apply to the

Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners D. C. PRESGRAVE, Municipal Beoretarys

WANTED.

COME Active Intelligent Men as TURN. KEYS in VICTORIA GAOL. commencing at \$40 per Month, with Quarters and Uniform. Applications to be made to the Acting Superintendent of the Gaol.

VICTORIA GAOL, Hongkong, March 23, 1877.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE

THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibi-NTEITHER Captain Formes nor the tion, that they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may

For the Consul, G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul, Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

ERNEST WASSELL & Co., PHOTOGRAPHERS.

HAVE This Day Established myself as PHOTOGRAPHER at the Corner of wyndham and Wellington Streets, at the Building lately occupied by the Hongkon's PHOTOGRAPHIO Co., under the above Style. ERNEST WASSELL.

Hongkong, March 3, 1877.

O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD, Begs to inform his Friends that he intend being ABSENT from HONGKUNG for Six or Eight Weeks, leaving early in APRIL. Hongkong, March 12, 1677.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong. ESTABLISHED 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 23, 1876.

> Ready. NOW

"THE CHINA REVIEW No. 4, Vol. V.

Annual Subscription, Six Dollars and a Half.

COMTENTS. Essays on the Chinese Language, (Continued from page 152.) Deer-Stalking in China. Chinese Dentistry.

Chinese Intercourse with the Countries of Contral and Western Asia ditring the Fifteenth Century, Part II. (Continued A Chinese Hornbook

The Law of Inheritance. A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese Dialect. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantoness Dialect. " Watching Spirits," Chinese Folk-lora. Yin and Yang, actording to Aristotla. Pidgin English Goethe's "Werther" iti China Ohinese Musie,

China Mail Office, Hongkoug, March 10, 1877.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, 40.

Notes and Queries -

White Ants.

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

N Order to make Room for SPRING

L GOODS. On and after MONDAY, February 5th, We shall offer the Remainder of Our WINTER STOCK at an immense re-

DRESS GOODS at 15 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 20 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 25 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 80 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 85 cents per yard.

FANCY SILKS! We offer about 5,000 yards at 35 cents per yard, (these are more or less soiled); original price \$1.50 and \$2.00 per yard. JAPANESE SILKS! Reduced to 40 cents per yard.

JACKETS, Marked very Cheap. Ladies', Boys' and Girls' FELT HATS, at Half Price. FANCY WOOL GOODS, at less than Half Price.

WOOL SHAWLS, MANTLES and

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO HOSE, Greatly reduced. 100 dozen CHILDREN'S WOOL BD MERINO SOCKS, all Sizes, at less than spatch as above. Half Price. Several thousand Yards of VARIOUS REMMANTS, Comprising: FLANNELS, CALICOS, PRINTS, MUSLINS, STUFF

GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect immediate Sale. In order to prevent disappointment We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Un

precedented Sale must close on Februar

SAYLE & Co. VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS, Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE. AS TUBES, BENDS & ELBOWS Apply to

H. KIÆR & Co.

Hongkong, March 23, 1877.

JUST LANDED EX S. S. "Hesperia."

FOR SALE.

PIPER & Co.'s Celebrated CHAM PAGNE: CARTE BLANCHE CARTE BLANCHE SEC and CARTE DUREE in Qts. and Pints.

-Also-The well known OTARD DUPUY & Co.'s BRANDY in Cases of 12 qt. Bottles and a Small Lot of MEDOC CLARET in qt

Apply to L. L. BUSH.

Hongkong, March 7, 1877.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THI A to K, with Introduction. Royal Byo. CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I pp. 202.-By ERNEST JOHN ETTEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price! Two Dollars and A Halv. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messra KELLY & WAISH, Shanghal. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

FOR SALE, AT CANTON,

sisting of :-

STEAM COTTON MILL, well adapted for Working Native COTTON. either Ningro or TienTsin. Capable of Making 8 piculs of Yarn in 12 hours, con-

Steam Engine and Boller 15 Horse Power Nominal, 1,280 Spindles, 12 Carding and 2 Drawing Machines, 1 Speeder 18 Spindles, 1 Stretcher 60 Spindles, 1 Lap Machine, 1 Cotton Gin, Bobbins, &c., with shafting and Belting Complete.

For Further Particulars and Terms of Sale, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

WASHING BOOKS. .. (In English and Chinese. WASHIRMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office-Price \$1 such.

CHIPA MAIL Office.

shipping.

Steamers. FOR AMOY.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA," TAIL Capt. THEBAUD, will be despatched as above on TUES!

DAY, the 27th Instant, at 2 p.in. For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, March 24, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "MYSTIC BELLE," PLUMER, Master, will load

here and will have quick

despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 10, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK, The A 1 American Ship W. TAYLOR, Master, will losd here, and will have quick de-

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1877. FOR NEW YORK,

The 12 years 3/3 L. 1 1 Danish Bark "KORSOR,"
L. C. GROVE, Master, will load here, and will have immediate despatch as

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1877. FOR LONDON.

MEYER & Co.

C. HARRINGTON, Master, will

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, March 9, 1877.

The British Ship

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Viking, having arrived, Con-

signees of Cargo by her are heraby

informed that their Goods are being land-

ed at their risk and stored by the Undersigned at their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama unless notice to the contrary is re-

ceived before Noon To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

Hongkong, March 22, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

MARITIMES. B. DJEMNAH.

NOTICE. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Craig. forth and Euphrate, from London. in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on

unless intimation is received from the Consigness, before 8 o'clock To-DAY, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after 29th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent and

landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POURY, Agent. Hongkong, March 22, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERINS MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNING

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counters signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored

their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POURY

Ex Tigre, March 8th, 1877. U. S. S. Ashwelst, . . . Zoases Instruments: Ex Pel-Ho, March 7th, 1877. B'on Overbesk, F No. 18, 1 case Effects

Hongkons, March 15, 1877,

Agent.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOODHOW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Captain PITMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 28th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 26, 1877.

> FOR BANGKOK The Spanish Steamer

"ZAMBOANGA" will be despatched for the above Port on the 31st Instant.

Daylight. - For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, March 26, 1877. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "NAMOA," Capt. WESTOBY, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 1st Proximo, at Daylight, For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 26, 1877.

O. & O. S. S. Co. NOTICE.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship BELGIO, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns at West Point, from whence delivery can be obtained upon countersignature of Bills of

Goods remaining unclaimed after the Slat Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. B. EMORY.

Hongkong, March 26, 1877. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP WINDERMERS. FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consigness' rick and expense. MEYER & Co.,

Hongkong, March 26, 1877. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Cor's S. S. KHIVA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the NBPAUL from London, and DECCAN from Calcutta, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 2nd Proximo will, be subject to rent.

. A. MoIVER, Superintendent. Hongkong, March 26, 1877.

OST. a Small Bunch of KEYS. The Finder will be Rewarded on bringing them to the Office, Hongkong Hotel. Hongkong, March 26, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION OF A CARRIAGE, HARNESS, & 2 PONIES, THE PROPERTY OF A. SIENKIEWICZ, ESQ., CONSUL FOR FRANCE.

FIYHE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY.

the 29th March, 1877, at 4 p.m., at his Sale Rooms, Queen's Road,-

One 4 wheeled Victoria PHAETON, for One or Two Ponies. Bail Aine. Paris, Builder.

One Pair Grey North China PONIES, with Silver Mounted Harness, TERMS OF SALE. - Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. Al lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer, J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Auctionser Hongkong, March 26, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Teither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stony in Hongkong Harbour:-

Athen Besse, American barque, Captain & Noyes, -Rozario & Co.

FORMOSA, German 3-m. schooner, Capt. G. Schweer. -- Melchers & Co. Mysrid Bette, American ship, Captain David Plumer. Biemssen & Co.

Rusina, American S.m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen .- Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Panola, American 8-m. schooner, Capt.

1. W. Lunb.-Landstein & Co. Ecno, British barque, Capt. George W. Torer, -- Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. March 28. Oblumbian. British steamer. 1817. J. Alderton, Salgon March 19, Rice. -P. & O. S. N. Co.

March 26, Annie S. Hall, Am: Sm. Sch. from Canton, March 24, Tientein, British steamer, 682. Daville, Saigon March 20, Rice,-Butter.

PIELD & SWIRE. March 25. Beethoden, German barque. 820, R. Haje, Bangkok Feb. 5, Rice and | Per Alaska, salled 28th March, 1877 :-Teakwood .- MELCHERS & Co.

frem Canton.

J. W. Mann, Antwerp Oct. 17, General. MEYER & Co. March 25. Kurik. Russian barque, 830,

J. Bergelung, Cardiff Nov. 13. Coal .-OBDER barque, 611, Brown, Singapore Jan. 23, Timber. - ORDER.

March 26, Kashgar, British steamer, 1514, E. T. Baker, Shanghai March 23, Mails and General -P. & O. S. N. Co. Mar. 26, Belgic, British steamer, 1716, Metcalfe, San Francisco Feb. 6, Yokohama March 18, General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

March 26, Esmeralda, British steamer, 395, E. Thebaud, Manila March 23, General. -A. McG. HEATON. March 26, China, German steamer, 648,

P. H. Hennings, Shanghai March 22, General - SIEMSSEN & Co. March 26, Khiva, British steamer, 1506, Perrins, Bombay Mch. 6, Galle 10, Penang 17, and Singapore 20, Mails and General

-P. & O. S. N. Co. March 26, Mount Lebanon, British 3-m. schooner, 530, D. C. Hall, Saigon Feb. 28, and Cape St. James March 3, General. -

ROZABIO & Co. March 26, Antenor, British steamer, 1644, Henry Jones, Liverpool Feb. 4, via ports of call, and Singapore-March 19, General. - Butterfield & Swire.

DEPARTURES,

Mar, 24, Washi, for Holhow. 24. Radnorshire, for Yokohama. 24, Chinkiang, for Salgon. 24, Taiwan, for Coast Ports, 25, Viking, for Yokohama.

25. Ocean, for Saigon. 26. Tientsin, for Swatow. 26, Satvatora, for Amoy.

26. Yungching, for Shanghal. 26, Galley of Lorne, for Cooktown. 26, Yangtere, for Salgon. 26, China, for Canton.

CLEARED. Angei, for Bangkok. Norna, for Swatow. Montgomeryshire, for Salgon. Sir Harry Parkee, for Taiwanfoo. Jeddah, for Saigon. Cairnsmuir, for Saigon.

Passengers.

Per Khiva, from Bombay, &c., Maj. Gen. Ruban, Miss Ruban, Mr Anderson, Capt. Purvis, R.N., Mr Rhode, Mrs Ellerton, Euro, ser. and child, Messrs Buddoes, Struthers, Allan, Watson, Gilbert, Mrs Stopanie Mr Banajee, Mrs Kerr's native servant, and 67 Chinese.

Per Kashgar, from Shanghai, Mr A. Hutchison, Mr and Mrs Miller, servant and 5 children, and 32 Chinese. Per Belgie, from San Francisco and Yokohama, Mr and Mrs T. Rice, Rev. Archdeacon and Mrs Gray, 2 Europeans,

and 66 Chinese. Per Esmeralda, from Manila, Messrs O. E. Edwards, Capt. Black, G. McLillian, W. W. McLillian, A. W. Saste, D. Jones, F. P. Centrano, J. Marizano, J. R. de Arrelano, M. Sarda, Mr and Mrs Halfpen and 3 children, T. Goldarasena, A. Airage, Capt. Le Sueb, J. Recano, W. Razano,

European deck and 145 Chiness. Per Chinti, from Shanghai, Mesars Bryant, A. S. Barker, Atheson, and 40

Per Antenor, from Liverpool, Rev. J. Henderson, Mr Jones, and 282 Chinese from Straits. Per Columbian, from Saigon, 15 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Taiwan, for Amoy, Mr and Mrs Tyzack; for Foothow, Mr Nicholson; for Coast Ports, 100 Chinese. Per Washi, for Hoihow, 1 European and

Per Viking, for Yokohama, 4 Europeans Per Salvadora, for Amoy, 125 Chinese. Per Galley of Lorne, for Cooktown, 976

TO DEPART. Per Cairnsmuir, for Saigon, 120 Chinese. Per Montgomeryshire, for Saigon, 40 Chi-

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Columbian reports ! Fine weather throughout the passage. The British steamer Tientsin reports Variable winds and fine weather until northerly winds with drizzling rain, The German barque Besthoven reports

nearing Hongkong, when had strong First part of passage strong E.N.E. winds and high sea, latter part light variable winds and fine weather.

The British ship Windermers reports : Generally fine weather throughout the parsage. Since passing 108 E. have had light variable winds, sighted Formosa on Sunday the 18th, and thence to arrival light winds and calms with dense fog. The Russian barque Rurik reports ! Had generally moderate and fine weather throughout the passage to the China Sea.

when got into thick weather. On the 28th December passed German barque Mary Louise, of Appenrade, and a German barque showing R.F.H.L. from Cardiff to Hongkong, in lat. 1.28 S. and long. 128 E. The British steamer Kashgar reports

Dull and overcast the whole passage, with much rain. The British steamer Esmeralda reports

Fine weather and light variable winds The German steamer China reports First day S.E. winds with fog, thence Northerly and N.E. wind with rain and

The British steamer Belgis reports ! Left San Francisco at 0.85 p.m., on Friday Feb. 16th, from Lat. 36 20 N. Long. 127.22 W. Feb. 17th, to Lat. 34.12 N. and Long. 142.21 E., March 16th, continuous heavy S. W. and westerly gales with very high seas | crossed Meridian in Lat. \$2.13 N. in a heavy W.S. W. gale, arrived at Yokohama daylight 17th March and sailed daylight 18th March. From Yokohama to Turns about strong westerly winds, thence to port moderate northerly winds and thick wes-

ther. Arrived 7 a.m., 28th March The British steamer Antenor reports ! Experienced strong Southerly wind down the Red Sea, thence to Galle moderate monsoon and fine weather with contrary currents, and from thence to Penang light variable winds with hot sultry weather. Left Penang March 15th, arriving at Singapore on the 17th, having had light variable winds and fine weather through the Straits of Malacca. From Singapore to Hongkong first part light N.E. winds and fine weather, latterly thick fogs.

For Yokohame, 1,477 bags Sugar, 228 March 25, Yungohing, Chinese steamer, pkgs. Merchandise, 38 pkgs. Leather, 10 BATURDAY, April 14:--flasks Quicksilver, 250 boxes Candles, 25 March 26, Windormers, British ship, 697, | cases Oil, 40 cases Champages, 20 pkgs.

Cordage, 10 pkgs. Tin, 50 pkgs. Steel, 20 pkgs. Iron, and 5 pkgs. Copper. For Hiogo, 13 pkgs. Phosphates. For San Francisco, 4,162 bags Rice, 130 bags Beans, 5 pkgs. Silk, 1,764 pkgs. Merchandise, 76 March 25. Rosetta McNeil, American pkgs. Tea, 100 bags Sugar, 41 bags Olovès, 312 bales Sundries, 1,000 Quicksilver Flasks, and 15 boxes Opium. For Acajutla, 1 case Silks. For La Libertad, 1 case Silks. For Punta Arrense, 11 boxes Sundries. For Callac, 23 pkgs. Malwa Opium, 4 pkgs. Patna Opium, 9 pkgs. Turkey Oplum, 6 pkgs. Silk, and 33 pkgs. Sundries. For New York, 95 pkgs. Raw Silk and 4 pkgs. Merchandise. For Boston, 1 pkge. Silks. For Toronto, I case Ciga s.

> POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:-

> For SAIGON .-Per JEDDAH, at 9.30 a m. To-morrow, the 27th inst.

> For YOKOHAMA.-Per SUNDA, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 27th inst. For SHANGHAL.

Per KHIVA, at 4 p.m. To-morrow, the 27th instant. Late letters received from 4.10 to 4.30. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per DOUGLAS, at 5 p.m. To-morrow,

For SAIGON .-Per CYPHRENES, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 28th instant, instead of as previously notified,

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET .-

the 27th inst.

The English Contract Packet KASHGAR will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, do., on THURSDAY, the 29th Instant. The following will be the hours of closing

the Malis, &c. :-Wednerday, 28th Instant .--5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night

Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 29th Instant .-7 A.M., Post Office opens for of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. (10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office Closes

entirely. 11.80 A.M., Letters (but Letters only addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage 11,50 A.M., when the Mail is finally

Hongkong, March 16, 1877. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet BELGIO will be despatched on TUESDAY. 8rd April, with Mails Japan, San Francisco, the United and London, which will be closed as follows i-

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 2,30 P.M. Post-Office closes. with Late Fee of 12 cents

extra Postage until 2.50 P. M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

General Post Office. Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet PEIHO will be despatched from kong on THURSDAY, the April, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles: to Saigon, Singapore Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do. :-Wednesday, April 4 .--

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, April 5 .-

A.M., Post Office opens for sale Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

/11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSE

Hongkong, March 22, 1877.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, March 28:-Daylight .- Douglas leaves for Coast Ports. Goods per Viking undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, March 29:-Noon,-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Goods per Djettmak undelivered after 4 p.m. -Sale of Carriage, &c., at Mr J.

M. Armstrong's Sale Room. BATURDAY, March 81:-Daylight .- Zamboanga leaves for B'ghok. Goods per Belgio undelivered after this

date subject to rent. Bunday, April 1 |-Daylight. - Namoa loaves for Coast Ports Monday, April 2:-Goods per Rhiva undelivered after this

date subject to rent. Totatat, April 8:-\$ p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co. Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco. THURSDAY, April 12:--

Road Hath 8 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

2 p.m.—Esmeralda leaves for Amoy.

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The publication of this issue commenced WE hear from Canton that the subscripat 7.30 p.m.

BIRTHS.

On the 25th March, at Boulder Lodge, Hongkong, Mrs CHARLES CLOUTH of a Son. At Shanghai, on the 20th March, the Wife of Joseph Love, Jun., of a Son.

MARRIAGE. On the 8th Feb., by special license, at the Magdalen Chapel, Streatham, by the Rev. Robert Gregory, Canon of assisted by the Rev. Hugh J. Robinson, Canon of York, and the Rev. W. W. Haw. kins, British Chaplain at Foodhow, Horace, second son of the late B. W. Hickling. Streatham, to Amy La Pais, third daughter | Macgregor left that port yesterday (25th). of the Rev. John Wallace, Streatham, Surrey,

At the Shanghai General Hospital, on 21st March, CHARLES E. YELVERTON, a native of Poughkeepsie, State of New York, aged On the 8th Feb., at Glenfinnan, Torquet W. A. STURBOCK, late of Amoy.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1877.

THE news received from Japan this morning must, we think, be considered on the whole as favourable to the Imperialists. It is true that the Mikado's forces appear to have made very little progress, but we hear nothing more, not even a rumour, of disaffection in either 2.30 P.M. Correspondence for Japan or the the navy or the army, and this is a mat-United States only may be ter of far more importance to the cause posted on board the Packet of the Government than any moderate successes achieved by its troops. As we have said before, there need be little doubt that the Government will ultimately prevail if the two services remain loyal. The army has been carefully trained and equipped after European models; ap8 it is fairly numerous and well supplied with material; and that the rebels, who are lacking more or less in all these matters, will prove to be the victors in the end cannot be credited for a moment, It was reported from one or two quarters by the previous mail that the navy had absolutely refused to act against the insurgents. We have it now, however, that vessels of war have aided the operations of the troops as much as they could by shelling some of the rebel positions to the north-west of Kumamoto. The Government forces are said to have a very considerable respect for the fighting powers of their opponents, but drill superior resources and a better supply of matériel should give the former ample

confidence in themselves.

There is a report that the castle at

Kumamoto has fallen, although nothing very definite appears to be known on the point. The Echo du Japon, for instance, states it learns that the castle has been in the hands of the insurgents since the 8th instant. "The soldiers of the garrison refused to make a sortie and set fire to the commissariat buildings and the provision storehouse in order to take away from their commander every pretext for resistance." In connection Sedford. with this point, it may also be mentioned that a Nagasaki contemporary of an earlier date asserts that the troops in the Forster, place were not over-stocked with provisions, and that they had very little in | thampton, March 8 .- To Shanghai : Mrs the shape of food, excepting the few fish Lema chand, Miss Robinson. fallen, the circumstance will doubtless J. Mackey. tend to prolong the struggle. The expedition to Kagoshima seems to have Feb. 11.-To Hongkong! Mr C. F. Presbeen a pretty satisfactory and successful sick, Mr H. J. C. Otte. one. The Mikado's envoys had the Noon, subject to rent and landing desired interview with the head of the Satsuma clan and his relatives, and are said to have received ample assurance that these noblettlen had not sanctioned the insurrectionary movement. The old gentleman " reluctantly " declined the invitation to accompany the envoys to Kioto on the ground that if he remained he might be able to influence some of the shizokuto keepfaithful to the Government The Governor, however, accepted a similar invitation and returned with the envoys to Nagasaki. According to what are apparently well-alithetiticated reports the troops landed at the port without Tanjong Pagari opposition, spiked the gune, seized a large buantity of warlike stores, besides femoving the machinery from the arsenal. kong.

The insurgents appear to be suffering from a little division in their camp. It is said that a Mr Kishima, who held an important command at Kagoshima, had

forces. In regard to the confession of the Corporal of Police of a Government plot to assassinate Saigo, the Japan Gazette points out that examination of the confession, as published, will show that the orders for Saigo's assassination were given in the month of November 1874, or before the expedition had returned from Formosa that the Corporal left Yokohama on the 28th December 1874, but that the passage was so very unfavourable and the ship had to anchor at so many places that he did not reach Kagoshima until the 11th January 1877, or a little more than two years from the date on which he set out; and other singular facts. The story seems altogether to be a very improbable one, and we shall require something stronger than written confessions of this kind, coming to us at such a juncture, before we can regard it as a statement of facts. Nothing could throw greater discredit upon-the Japanese Government than the proving of such

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tions there made to the Shan Tung Famine in addition to Point de Galle. The steamer Fund amount already to \$1,200.

A Court of Enquiry will be held at the Harbour Master's office, to-morrow forenoon, at half past 11 o'clock, to investigate into the circumstances attending the loss of the British ship John o'Gaunt.

THE steamer Agamemnon arrived at Shaughai on the 24th inst.; the steamers Nestor and Kashgar left that port on the 23rd instant; and the steamers Amoy and

Mr. Justice Snowden sat for a short time in Bankruptcy this morning and granted their orders of discharge to Ernest Grelier, and Lum Tuk Wing, respectively. Mr Donnys was for the former, and Mr Holmes for the latter. His Lordship also sat in Probate and granted letters of administration to Lo Hok Poon, executor of the will of his father. Lo Pak Sheung, otherwise Lo Chun Kong, otherwise Lo-U-Lee, late compradore of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the estate being proved under

From the Manila papers received this morning by the Esmeralda, we learn that another fearful and destructive fire took place on the afternoon of the 21st instants in the district of San José (Trozo), and reduced to ashes about 800 houses, among which were some fine and costly buildings. The fire continued for several hours, and what is more lamentable is that some lives were lost by the catastrophe. One of the papers in describing the state of things at the scene of the fire, says that the fire was so powerful that only a deluge could have overpowered that "great column" of the devouring element.

LIST OF PASSENGERS FOR CHINA. Per French steamer Iraouaddy, from Marseilles, Feb. 15:-To Shanghai: Mr and Mrs Beazley and two children, Mr W. Howle, Mr Gilman. To Hongkong: Mr and Mrs B. J. Morris, Mr R. B. Blackwell, Hon. Cecil Smith and family, Mr Ottley, Mr A.

Per French steamer Sindh, from Marseilles, March 11 .- To Yokohama: Mr De Geoffroy and suite, Mr Wolff. To Shanghai: Mr J. L. Scott, Mr S. Marsh, Mr and Mrs Vapereaux, Mr J. R. Bromley, Mr M P. Evans, Mr J. Findlay, Mr Hawes, Mr F. S. Deacon, Mr Ballauce, Mr B. J. Bousfield, Mr R. Nichol, Mrs J. Darrien Mr E. Fisher. To Hongkong: Mr F. S. Scott Mr and Mrs F. N. May, Mr J. H. Pinck voff, Mr and Mrs Siegfried, Mr Carl Jant.

Per French steamer Meikong, from Marseilles, March 25. - To Shanghai: Mr Bru-

Per French steamer Ava, from Marseilles

April 8 .- To Shanghai | Mr and Mrs Aretz. To Hongkong: Mr C. Sinclair. Per P. & O. steamer Peshawur, from Southampton, Feb. 22.-To Shanghai : Mr A. Capel. To Hongkong | Mr and Mrs

Per P. & O. steamer Ceylon, from Venice, March 2 .- To Hongkong : Mr J. Per P. & O. steamer Indus, from Sou-

they could catch. Should the castle have March 9.—To Shanghai (via Bombay): Mr evidence the prisoner was fined \$10 and Per steamer Glenariney, from London, for damage to roof.

> Per steamer Glaucis, from Liverpool, Feb. 15 -To Hongkong | Mr Brockelmann. To Shanghai; Mr Green, Mr and Mrs

> (From the Singapore Daily Times) The O. S. Co.'s steamer Patroclus arrived from Hongkong this morning (March 16th) with about 800 Chinese passangers, and she

has anchored outside the harbour limits, as she has a case of small pox on board. We understand it is contemplated to establish two depots for the reception of immigranto when the Chinese immigrants Bill now before C tincil shall have been passed. The principal depot is to be at Sandy Point, and a branch one will be at

The screw steam yacht Stinbeam, arrived this morning (March 16th), from Hong-

The following extra telegram, via Per nange is sent us by Reuter's Agent for publication -London, March 10 -- England, Franco,

set out from that place, on the arrival of Belgium and Holland have signed the Suthe envoys, with about two hundred gar Convention, which comes into force on Satsuma men to join the Imperial the 1st September, 1877. The Importati n into Holland will be free, duty being abolished.

The Rangoon Daily News, a new paper, and a lively and vigorously conducted one, in its 50th number, contains the following paragraph, which is news here, from its London correspondent respecting our little post office riot in December last :--"I hear by private letter from Singapore

that the authorities there are having some bother with the "Celestials." Hitherto the Chinamen have had the right to post their letters home for nothing, but this privilege has been withdrawn, and they protested by a riot. They sacked the postoffice and threatened the fort, and went through the place vowing vengeance. As_ they immensely out-number the European guard an alarm was created, and the population was called to arms; but the Flying Squadron put in for coal in the afternoon, and the mere landing of one thousand men so frightened the "heathen Chinee" that they left the fort alone and subsided into quietness. They spent a very uneasy night, fearing apparently that they were all to be taken out and shot. They are not likely soon again to demonstrate."

(L. & C. Express, Feb. 16.)

The Messageries Company, have made arrangements that the alternate steamers of their line-i.e., those not in connection with the branch steamer to Calcutta-will call. during the north-east monsoon, at Colombo which left Marseilles on the 11th inst, will call at Colombo, as also that leaving on the 11th March; and those on the return voyage leaving Shanghai on the 16th February and 16th March, will also call at the above-named port. It is not anticipated that the change will materially lengthen the voyage. The present step is to some extent experimental But the service to Colombo by the alternate steamers will, if it proves successful, be resumed on the change of the monsoon in

It is certainly very significant as to the value of the outery made by those who are prepared to see lions in the way of every Improvement in China; that, while pamphlets are being issued here to show the incalculable injustice which is being inflicted upon the Chinese by the Woosung Railway, the latest news from China is to the effect that the line is being worked satisfactorily, carrying large numbers of passengers, and being likely to

pay a good dividend. We understand upon good authority that Sir Thomas Wade is engaged in preparing a memorandum explanatory of the various points in the Chefoo Convention; and that these explanations will in all likelihood be published in Blue-book form in due course. Up to the present no intimation has been given as to whether the Government will formally ratify that document.

Kuo-Tah Jan, the Chinese Envoy, his associate Liu, and a large portion of the junior members of the Embassy, accompanied by Dr. Macartney, the English Secretary of Legation, visited Madame Tussaud's Exhibition on Wednesday, and expressed much admiration of the lifelike efficies. We trust that figures of the Envoys may ere long find their way among the numerous celebrities at this popular exhibition.

At a levée held yesterday at St. James's Palace by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, on behalf of Her Majesty, Li Shu-Ch'ang, secretary, and Fung-Yih, Liu-Foo-Ye, and hang-Ssu-Hsun, Attachés, were presented. Sir Thomas Wade and Sir Rutherford Aloock were among those who were present at the

Consequent upon there being no ships of

their class available as reliefs, the Charybdia and the Modeste are to be paid off and recommissioned on the China station, a fresh captain for the former ship, with other officers, and crews proceeding thither in H.M.'s troopship Tamar, now resitting at Devonport. Captain Charles F. Hotham (1871) has been nominated to the command of the Charybdis, and the subjoined appointments are also gazetted. Lieutenants Reginald B. Fulford and J. O. Thomas to the Hart; Arthur W. Moore, Francis H. Harvey, H. Warren and R. M. Bunbury to the Churybdis; Francis D. Scott, additional. to the Audacious; Jno. D. Nicholls, Harry S. F. Niblett, and John F. Pipon to the Modeste. Navigating Lieutenants: Richard . Roe and John G. Scott to the Audacious Sub-Lieutenants Edward J. Bain and Francis A. A. G. Tate to the Modeste Arthur R. M. Creagh and Frederick H. T. W. Freeman to the Charybdis. Paymesters Norcott D'E. Roberts and Edmund Hickson to the Audacious, and David J. Thompson, assistant in charge, to the Hart. Midshipmen; Charles T. Gimlett, Houston S. J. Phillips, and Richard H. Pearse to the

Lieutenant Richmond Powell, who has been studying at the Royal Naval College. has received permission to accept temporary employment under the Chinese Government, and will navigate a gunboat out to

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) March 26, 1877.

Lai-Ang, a married woman, was charged by the proprietor of the Hotel owned by Mr Humby with being on the roof of his house ordered to make amends in the sum of \$1

STREET ROWS. Law-Ashik a hawker and Wong-Akum a coolie were charged with creating an unusual disturbance and were fined \$10 each.

Chan Aping, a fisherman, was sent to six

weeks' hard labour for stealing 20 bundles of oigars at Yow-mah-tee Kwok Afook, a coolie, was sent to two months' hard labour in that he was found

in possession of a box which was proved to have been stolen by him. LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Struits Times.) Oalbuttes, Feb. 23 .- The Budget Statement will be issued not later than the 10th proximo. There will be no income tax, Bir John Strackey being opposed to it especially during the depressed value of silver, A lean will be issued. The Government of India have written to Madras, giving their full concurrence to the measure adopted by

highest praise to the Duke of Buckingham

and local officers. Bombay, Feb., 23.—The second cable which was commenced to be laid from . den on the 21st instant, will be completed to Bombay on March 6th. The Hibernia proceeds to Penang with the cable for Rangoon. The Duplex system is working between Bombay and Aden.

Feb. 26.—The Dhollera Cotton outturn has diminished and the price is weaker. -Calcu.ta, Feb. 26.—The total purchase of Rice by the Madras Government to meet local demands were 41,000 tons, of which 30,000 tons were obtained from Bengal and 11,000 tons from up-country. None has been bought since the 6th January.

Bombay, Feb. 28.—The famine statement shows that applicants for relief are less than in the estimate. The public fear that the scale is insufficient to prevent mortality.

Bombay, Mar. 2 .- Mr Maclean, Editor and Proprietor of the Bombay Gazette, has been appointed Chairman of the Town Council, vice Captain Henry, deceased. Aden, Mar. 3. The S. S. Mirzapore with the outward mails of the 23rd February left

here yesterday at 7 p.m., for Bombay. Bombay, Mar. 3.—A large public meeting has voted a memorial to the late Captain Henry. The Honourable Mr Gibbs presid-

meeting. arrived here on a special mission from St. Petersburg, and will afterwards pay a special | letters are of course charged as formerly. visit to Paris and Vienna.

in which he strongly urges the union of all parties, in order that orderly Government may be restored to the Southern States. He also urges a speedy return to specie payments.

London, March 6 .- In the House of Commons last night, Sir Stafford Northcote, replying to a question by Sir H. Wolff, said the first reduction in the Suez Canal dues had been postponed till the 15th April. The Canal Company, he said. objects to England voting, because the shares held by the English Government do | where on the Coast. not bear coupons. Government has pro-

its right to vote as shareholders. General Ignatieff will not visit London In connection with his special mission, but ther the Count proceeds for that purpose. London, March 6. - Mr Ward Hunt

coming year at 10# millions. Hardy, in presenting his Army Estimates,

said that the condition of the Army was atpresent excellent, and that he would shortly present a plan for the promotion and retirement of officers. Constantinople, March 6. - The Porte

objects to the demands by Montenegro in arranging terms of peace, which comprise certain cessions of territory and a seaport. St. Petersburg, March 6 .- An imperial ukase has been issued ordering the organisation of nine army corps.

London, March 7 .- According to information from St. Petersburg, Russia still maintains an expectant attitude pending correspondence. No doubt many systematic lifty bags by one Packet. Much of the the replies from the Powers to Prince evasions of Postal law are practised by contents would no doubt be papers, &c., Gortschakoff s circular.

British army since the beginning of January has been 1,000 weekly. Obituary: Generals Sir John Fordyce

and Evelyn Waddington. London, Mar. 7 .- Reuter's Office and nounces from Constantionple that the Porte maintains the firm attitude adopted at the Conference, and accepts war with Russia in preference to having the present state of suspense prolonged. On the other hand, information from the same source states that Russia rejects the suggestion to allow Turkey a year's grace in which to carry out | Singapore the promise of reforms.

chakoff has instructed the Russian Envoys to declare that Russia will withdraw from the treaty of 1856 unless the Powers cooperate to obtain the acceptance of the original programme presented at the Con-

London, Mar. 8.-In the House Commons to-night Mr Bourke, replying to a question, said that the answer to Prince Gortschakoff's circular had been deferred at the request of Russia, who had promised communications on the subject, which however had not yet been received. The prolonged absence of the British Ambassador frem Constantinople, he said, was not intectional

Wa hington, March 9.—President Hayes has nominated W. M. Evarts as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Gen-ral Sherman as Secretary of the Treasury, and Carl Schurz as Secretary of the Interior.

> THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S REPORT.

> > GENERAL POST OFFICE,

HONGKONG, March 23rd, 1877. SIR,-I have the honour to report on the British Postal Service in China and Japan during 1876.

2. The past year has witnessed preparation for, and in some cases the completion of important changes, chiefly the entrance of this Colony into the General Postal Union. and the voting of an annual contribution of £3,150 from Postal Revenue towards the conveyance of Mails.

4. The charges on local letters (that is to say on those exchanged between British Offices in China and Japan, and to or from Cochin China, Siam, or the Philippines) have been reduced by one half, whilst Canton and Macao have been admitted into the system of penny postage in force in Victoria. The Macao Post Office has consented to deliver local correspondence free. Some years ago a letter from Swatow to Macao would have post 8d, besides a charge on delivery. It is now delivered free for 2di

5. An Honorary Agency has been evened at the new port Kiung Chow in Hainan. through the kind assistance of successive Vice-Consuls, Messrs Ford and Harvey. Though the amount of Postal business is small, the Agency has been a convenience to the residents, and the gentlemen who have carried it on are entitled to the thanks of all

interested in the trade. 6. H. B. M. Vice-Consul at Tamsui was good enough to propose a similar Honorary Agency at that place, but considerations of a general nature, affecting the whole of the ing letters round the world may not become smaller Treaty Ports, have intervened to a popular pastime, or it will constitute as delay the acceptance of this offer.

S. A mail sont by British steamer to Bangkok was delayed two months, in couse. Union Country after April 1st.

referred to the Home Government.

Indies, Brazil, Peru, &c., by way of San Francisco; also for sending letters for India by the one French Packet a month which formerly carried no Indian Mail, thus making five regular opportunities for Indian correspondence in every month. The somewhat clumsy expedients, by means of which alone these objects could be attained, will soon, it is hoped, be superseded by the simpler and uniform method of the Postal Union.

12. After considerable delay, due to the miscarriage of an official letter, a satisfactory Postal Convention has been concluded with Netherlands India.

13. Correspondence has taken place on the question of a Postal Convention with Queensland, a sixpenny tariff vià Torres Straits being the object in view. But the difficulbeing laid officially before you.

Australian Post Offices deliver free all private Office in 1875,£22,665 18 11 ship correspondence arriving in Mails. The ed, and the Chief Justice proposéd the first antiquated and vexatious charge of 4d. a resolution and Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebboy the letter, formerly levied here even on prepaid second; and representative men supported correspondence received by private ship from or, at the average rate of exchange for the General, has received a gold watch and a meeting of the agents was held in private, both. R 4,000 were subscribed at the Australia, has therefore been abandoned. This office now delivers free in China and Berlin, Mar. 5. - General Ignatieff has Japan all ship mails from all parts of the world, with one trifling exception, + Loose

15. A misunderstanding, for which this Washington, Mar. 5 .- President Hayes | Office was not responsible, having been has issued an inaugural address to Congress, removed, the Torres Straits Route is now open for New Zealand as for other parts of Australasia. The packets on this line have made more regular passages during the year. and all correspondence for Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, Tasmania is sent by them unless it be specially directed for the route via Galle.

> been supplemented by an arrangement for the purchase of Hongkong Postage Stamps at the Agencies of this Office, thus facilitating the exchange of small sums of money any- tunately the new Post Office Ordinance,

17. Correspondence has taken place as to tested against this objection, and declares | the extension of the Money Order system to Queensland, New South Wales, the Straits Settlements, and India. A regulation of the Postal Union, somewhat too stringent part of it, were due to the lowering of the will meet Count Schouvaloff at Paris, whi- perhaps, forbids the sending of coin in even local rates, the responsibility for that change a Registered Letter. This makes it desirable would be accepted by this Department. The to extend Money Order facilities as widely rates were too high, and the Hongkong estimates the expenses of the Navy for the as possible. Formerly, a small sum could Office was being left behind the times. Our be remitted to almost any part of the world revenue might be made an excuse for any In the House of Commons last night, Mr. by enclosing gold coin in a Registered Letter. exorbitant charge whatever. 18. Some difficulty is caused by the

tances. The confusion likely to be caused in Japan and the North of China have been by Chinese names, and the various ways of offering communication with America and simple expedient. But a more serious impedi- on letters for instance as against 1s. 2d) ment, especially with regard to the Straits and that, for Shanghai and Ports North of Settlements, is the fact that many of the Shanghai, the route via San Francisco is Payees of the Money Orders would reside in at least as speedy as that via Suez. At the interior of China, quite out of reach of any of the Agencies of this Office. This is 6,000 papers less were posted for the Suez a point which should be taken into account route in 1876 than in 1875. It has been by those who think that sweeping measures | learnt that the Mail despatched from that ought to be brought to bear on Chinese Chinese, but some of them at least arise from which but for the low rates would not have The number of recruits joining the the fact that the Chinaman can do for him- been posted at all; but a few years since all British Post Office cannot do for him at all?

> by any other of the means employed was unfavourable rates of exchange, which have one of those letters delivered. After lying been as low as 3s. 61d per dollar. at Amoy for some time, and being advertised

St. Petersburg, Mar. 8 .- Prince Gorts- to ask for Government aid in disposing of would be very good reason for interfering with them. But probably the only Chinese those who see their way to making a large remembered that representations as to the insecurity of the Chinese post are generally coloured to suit the interested views of these

19. On the great trade routes where Chinese are pushing their way, as for in. stance between Hongkong and San Francisco or between Hongkong and Australia, there is an increasing tendency to use the Foreign Post Office, as Western business habits become more and more adopted.

20. A new Post Office Ordinance was drawn during the year. . . . The experience of another year may be necessary for the maturing of any scheme for Chinese sub-Post Offices here.

21. The English Mail twice arrived unsorted during the year, each time from a cause which could not have been foreseen. The Messageries Maritimes Company have most kindly given permission for the corters to be sent to Singapore in the Company's packets when there are no other means of conveying them in time. Sincere thanks must also be tendered to the Agents of other steam lines, who give passages to the sorters on nominal terms every winter,

most advantageous route entirely round the the holding of numerous auttions of griffins, dates of four Post Offices only, the Office of It is of course, too early to form an opinion Registered the whole way the total cost of success, it may be thought likely that availing of a private steamer from Honge and good sports kong, a letter could be sent entirely round the world, probably in less than 100 days, for 1s, 1d., which would be thus divided i-

London Office, 42d. It is worth recollecting that for such trivial sums (which will be still smaller under the

Postal Union) a letter is carried by steam across three great Oceans; and through such works as the Suez Canal, or the Mont Cenis 26: It is to be hoped, however, that send-

+ The exception is Manila, which will be \$

evident from the following figures :--1876, \$109,044.68. Decrease \$1,849.75. 1876, \$37,934.34. Increase \$1.598.87.

\$13,828.13. Decrease \$12,823.90. \$160,807.15. Decrease \$12.574.78.

in 1876,£21,217 8 0

year, \$1,440.34.

29. The increase of Colonial expenditure is mainly in payments to ship-masters, and to the American and Japanese Post Offices for the conveyance of Mails.

30. The net falling off in Colonial Revenue is \$11,725.03, of which half at least has arisen from loss on exchange in remitting to England. The remainder must be ascribed to the competition of the American and Japanese Post Offices at Shanghai, Hankow, Ningpo, Hiogo, Yokohama, and to some extent at Foodhow; to the development of the Shanghai local Post Office at most of the above Ports; to the great reductions in the 16. The Local Money Order system has profit this Office was making on correspondence to the Continent of Europe (see Report for 1875, par. 14); and to the lowering of the local rates of Postage; whilst unforwhich is to lessen some of the outgoings of the Department, has not even yet received

approval at home. 31. If even, however, it could be shown that the whole decrease, instead of a small

32. It must be remembered, however, that necessity for providing for Chinese Remit- throughout the whole year, two rival Offices Anglicising them, may be prevented by a very | Europe at rates less than half of ours (5d. Yokohama alone nearly 10,000 letters and port via San Francisco has been as much as

17. When the Sunfoo was wrecked in 33. The usual tables are appended. After 1874, a large number of Chinese money- what has been said above they call for no letters were removed from her and handed special remark, except to point out the large to this Department. They were all for decrease of £2,530 in the total amount villages beyond Amoy, to which Port they remitted to England by Money Orders, a were sent. But neither by advertising nor decrease due, no doubt, to the extremely

34. The quickest passages home have been in Chinese here, they were all returned to made by the Messageries Packets, the Mail carried by which vessels four times reached have delivered the Mail in 38 days six times. their correspondence, and to complain of The Oceanic left for San Francisco on Detheir own existing arrangements, there cember 4th, and reached that port in 23 days.

35. The quickest passages out have been made by the P. & O. Packets, which have dissatisfied with native Postal facilities are delivered the Mails eight times within 36 days. The Messageries Packet Sindh arrived | the result. profit out of a monopoly, and it must be on August 5th with the Mail 37 days from London. The Oceanic arrived on May 13th after a voyage of 26 days from San Francisco. 36. Tables B. & C. afford the following

> averages:--Average voyage Average voy-British Packets, Outward, 401 days. 384 days. French Packets, Homeward, 421 1, 881 French Packets, Outward, British Packets, Outward, 424 41

> 87. It is to be hoped that the next Annua Report will be more encouraging, if not with regard to Revenue (for Revenue is in all probability a thing of the past) at any rate in something to show for the Revenue which may have ocased to exist. ALPRED LISTER.

Postmaster General. * Under the Postal Union only one payment would be necessary.

China.

SHANGHAL (Newsi)

Training for the Spring Race Meeting is 25. A letter was received here which was progressing, and nearly every morning the that duarter. From Sze-chuan we hear being sent round the world westward with a Grand Stand and Course present an ani. that the Christians are again being perview to its subsequent exhibition at the mated scene. On Saturday morning the secured at or near a place called Lane Centennial Festival at Philadelphia. A large number of 86 ponies were counted on chuan, not far from Chungsking Fu. We payment of 5d. in America and of 2s. 1d. in the training course at one time j and judg- also hear that foreigners have arrived at the Hongkong would carry such a letter by the ing from the unusual competition shown in latter city and are already constructing a globe in about 80 days. It would bear the this number bids fair to be largely increased. origin in America, San Francisco, Honga as to how much racing stuff can be got out suitable for foreign hongs, etc., so you see kong, and London; and the Postage Stamps of the mass of raw material on offer, but as of two, America and Hongkong. Were it in this case multiplicity gives greater chances here if only to dispose of their property, would be increased to five shillings. But by sufficient will be found to yield large fields to the evil effects of the long civil war and

> The puff of wind from the north-west, on Tuesday afternoon, heralded a sandstorm. which began a little before midnight and continued all day yesterday (March 21st). The air was so thickly charged with dust as to very much obscure the sun, and nearly hide the Postting shore.

Our readers will remember the fallure of an action heard a few weeks ago, in which the Ohina Mariati-fi Company solight to recover from Mr R. Francis Tle. 5,600, Kluklang burrency, which it was alleged had been mis ppropriated by Williams Henry Shaw, who was Mr Francis's subagent at Kittking. When the action was heard, Shaw was away from Chipe, and his

the local Government, and awarding the | quence of the Master's omission to land it. | serious a nuisance as the incessant demand of | whereabouts having been ascertained, a | paper exceedingly durable—painted with | Amagi Kuwan, was launched at Yokosuka. This voxatious circumstance led to an enquiry Postage-stamp collectors. The senders seem warrant was issued for his apprehension. a coat of oil, and mounted on boards nailed in presence of H. E. Terashima Munemori. into the state of the law as to the delivery to forget that greenbacks, or the Postage- Its execution was entrusted to Sergeant to the walls. It is hung under each of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Admirals Aksand reception of Mails at Consular Ports, stamps of their own country, are not avail- Skinner, who was despatched on the 2nd city gates, at the drum towers, and in many matsu and Nakamuta and several other which was found to be complicated and able everywhere, and that the trouble they instant to Hongkong, where it was expected other places, and is adapted to resist the officials. Numbers of foreign spectators were unsatisfactory. The whole question has been give leads to no practical result of any kind. Shaw would shortly arrive from Japan, tooth of time for many a long day. In some also present. This is the third ship of the 27. The subject of Revenue would indeed These arrangements worked with success. interior districts it is also hung in a frame kind built at the same establishment. Her 11. Means have been devised for forward- be discouraging were it not remembered how On the 14th instant, Shaw arrived in Hong- covered with glass, and taken in every night burden is one thousand tons, and she will ing correspondence for Canada, the West completely the service has been in a transi- kong, from Kobe, by the Galley of Lorne, like a photograph. In other places no one carry eleven guns. The launch was in every tion state during the whole year, and also and was taken into custody by Sergeant has heard of it at all.—Shanghai Courier. that it has been working under nearly Skinner. His identification was proved every possible disadvantage. The report before the Hongkong Magistrate, who for 1875 predicted (par. 14) "a further and | thereupon ordered him to Shanghai for perhaps a considerable decrease in Revenue." | trial. He arrived here on Tuesday by bruary:—Business has not commenced yet. That this has been realised is only too the Amoy, and yesterday (Mar. 21st) was We hear of the S. S. N. Co. having been sold, taken before Mr Mowat, at H.B.M.'s and that the Taotai has already taken offices Imperial share of revenue, 1875, \$110,894.43 | Supreme Court. Mr Wainewright, who is down town for their successors. Not a parcel engaged to conduct the prosecution, was of goods has been sold this winter, the Colonial Expenditure, 1876, \$36,335.47; unprepared to go fully into the case, owing Coreans having kept entirely out of the to the principal witnesses having to be market. Opium has not been dealt in so Colonial Profit, 1875, \$26,152.03; 1876, brought from Kluklang, and applied for a much as the previous years, and is quoted remand for a week. Shaw offered no ob- Ils. 450. Produce is very dear, and unless Gross Revenue, 1875, \$173,381.93; 1876, jection, but asked for the case to be heard things change soon, freights will suffer .without unnecessary delay. He hoped to The King of Corea's palace is said to have 28. It might appear from the above that clear himself of the charge, and being in ill- been burned by incendiaries. -N. C. D the falling off of Revenue has affected this health he desired a change of climate as News. Department alone, and not the London soon as possible. He was remanded for a ties of sea-conveyance have not yet been Office. If, however, the sums credited to week, bail being offered in his own recognisufficiently overcome to allow of the matter that Office are examined in Sterling instead sances of \$1,000 and two sureties in \$500 of in Dollars a different result will be ap- each. At the adjourned hearing, we hear, 14. It has been ascertained that the parent. There was paid to the London he will probably be defended by Mr Rennie.

Mr.J. C. Myers, United States Consul-

We are inform d that a new Chinese Association is in course of being formed, to by the builders (who, by the way, are all be called the Ningpo Steam Navigation incendiaries of the deepest dye) with the Company. It is said that when the business object of destroying the settlement and of the S. S. N. was transferred to the China | thereby ruining the Insurance Offices. | Yangtaze Inc. Association, Tls. 610 Merchants, the compradores in connection with the old company were informed that they could only be kept on, under the new regime, by each taking shares to the amount of Tls. 10,000; and this the compradores refusing to do, they have clubbed together and are going to run in opposition. We hear that they have already purchased the steamers Pao-kong and Ping-on, and that they have sent to England for three more. Such, at any rate, are the particulars given by those who seem to know.

The Agents and employes of the China Merchants' Company do not appear to be very accomplished business correspondents. The following is the copy of a letter from somebody in the O.M.S.'s office at Hankow to a merchant who had sent in his letters for Shanghai rather behind time :-

"Please some vou sooner in next time I will not signed if pass nine o'clock as the letter box been enclused."

WUCHARG. March 14th, 1877. By going as far as Ichang in my search for news, where I doubt your as yet having a special, I can report that those who have reached that open port in advance of H. M. Kestrel have found the gunboat to be needed as an Open Sesame. They as yet live on boats and are quite closely confined to them. One gentleman ventured ashore with two of not be carried out in practice, with a view to Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong. self, easily, cheaply, and safely, what the the rest would have passed through this his boatmen, and made toward a neighbouring hill. Suddenly he heard a hubbub with gongs and shouts; his trusty boatmen vanished instanter, and the gentleman himself made a hasty retreat to the nearest point on the river bank, where he fortunately found a boat and rowed off to the music of a shower of stones. To-morrow the U.S.S. Monocacy is to go up, conveying Consul Shepard to Ichang if her light draught allows of her getting there. Vicercy is also looked for, and the combined influence ought to prove sufficient to secure 18. If the Chinese generally were inclined | London in 35 days. The P. & O. Packets | this part of the gain of Sir Thomas's diplomacy. We were amazed by more snow this month, the last fall on the 12th being quite considerable. Our weather is variable to the full of seasonableness, bright warm days giving way to a bitter north-east wind without much warning, or much comfort as

March 15th. Later news from Ichang tells of an outrage on the members of the China Inland Mission, two of whom had been quietly at work there for some two months. The advent of other foreigners roused opposition and they were warned that they must clear out in three days by a crowd of mixed complexion, not all rags and tags. A second three days' notice was given, but they refused to leave and meanwhile another member of the mission had joined them en route for Ch'ung-k'ing. The 6th day came and with it the mob, who wrecked the furniture, etc., and carefully gathering all the books, English and Chinese, burnt them up, but offered no personal violence. Then the Chehsien came and escorted them to a boat.-Shanghai Courier.

KWHIOHOW. Kwei yang Fu, 18th Feb., 1877. News has just reached here that s party of several hundred rebels has made Its appearance near Pu-ngan Ting, a city in Upper Kwei-chow, near the Yun-nan frontier, and troops have been ordered to Consulate near the Chestu Yamen. Foreigners are also expected here and I have been offered several houses for sale as these folks are almost inviting us to come which is almost valueless at present, owing heavy dues levied on merchandize. The want of roads is also sadly felt, and ought to be attended to at once to allow native produce to be taken to the treaty ports for sale or to exchange for goods suitable to this market:

The winter has been very mild so far, as we have had no show, and but a very light frost for the past few days, which inelted as soon as the sun appeared. The tatives have thus had splendid weather for their helidays:—Shanghas Courter.

March 14th. The proclamation respecting the Chefco Convention, posted last autumn, has been conspicuously to issued since the opening of navigation. It is now written on Corcan

A correspondent writes on the 26th Fe-

Japan. YOKOHAMA,

(Gazette.)

The Agents of Fire Insurance Companies

in Yokohama appear to be in a state of unnecessary alarm on the object of dwelling house risks. About the middle of last month | Shanghai, demand, ... 721 chain from the President of the United but we understand the principal resolution States, for presentation to Capt. James then passed was to the effect that all new Stewart, of the Chinese gunboat Sui risks offered after the date of the meeting, Gold Leaf. Tsing, in acknowledgment of his services and all current risks expiring on and after to the American ship Enoch Train, which the 1st January 1878, should be subject to vessel was dismasted in a typhoon off the an examination or survey of the chimneys harbour of Hongkong on the 2nd of Octo- and stove pipes. We also understand that ber, 1872. He is also to have the thanks some of the leading offices have ignored the of the President, to be sent him by Mr resolution, and decline to avail themselves | Hongkong Bank, 31 of the additional security afforded them by H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$540 peering into chimneys to ascertain if a China Fire Ins. Co., \$150 beam has been purposely placed Some of the more resolute of the agents have, however, already commenced a crusade on the Biuff and in the Settlement, Sharehal Steam N. Co., Tin. 98 to the manifest vexation and annoyance Hon kong Hotel Oc., \$50. of the householders. The foreign residents | Chinese Imperial Loan, £108/10of Yokohama, who have not the luck to be agents of Fire Offices, are not particularly even-tempered when any of their domestic privileges, real or imaginary, are invaded; consequently the movement, so far as it has already been carried, is calling forth BAROMETER- 9 A.M... "curses, not loud but deep." Apart from a jocular view of this matter,

we think we are not exceeding our limits in pointing out that the resolution is wholly unreasonable and unnecessary. The assured is bound by the representations he makes on application for insurance, and ignorance on his part of an element of danger so material in its nature as to influence the underwriter in either of two points, namely; 1-As to whether he will insure: 2.—The rate he will charge; would be fully sufficient to discharge the policy in event of a fire arising from a beam in the chimney. So far Fire Insurance Offices have not suffered in Yokohama: with the exception of the great fire of 1866, the business done has been very lucrative and satisfactory, while the premia charged is exorbitant, and out of all proportion to the nature of the risks incurred. Is it, then, wiser for the agents to make new petty restrictions of a description which canescape the probable loss which may arise shaken out of gear by an earthquake, and so alienate and irritate their chief supporters, than to go on as they have hitherto done, that is, to take the large premiums, pay the business they possess.

announcing its intention of disregarding the resolution complained of, will have an immense increase of business.

THE INSURRECTION IN JAPAN. (Tokio Times.)

The incidents of the protracted struggle at Kumamoto are not yet of high importance, but the few results that have been accomplished are favorable to the national arms. Takase, a long contested position, is now the head quarters of the Minister of War. Saigo remains at his original station. Kawajiri. The Imperial messengers sent to Kagoshima have accomplished their mission and left the place. The Court and Ministry remain at Kioto. China is said to have offered practical evidence of sympathy and good-will to the Japanese government. The formation of a Volunteer Corps in Yokohama is still contemplated, though earnestly opposed by the authorities.

northern part of Higo, but we have yet no intelligence of decisive results. Some of Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to the positions captured by the Imperial troops during the first week of this month were afterwards retaken by the insurgents, who, in turn, were again driven from them. Takase in particular, appears to have more than once changed hands. It is now, apparently, in final possession of the government forces, General Yamagata having established his head quarters there on the 11th instant. Other places nearer the besieged city of Kumamoto have since been repeatedly assailed, but not with success. Our latest news from the scene of action is dated the 14th. and on that day the entire line was engaged Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport at various detached points. Nothing like a battle, however, on a large and effective scale, has been offered by either side. The character of the country forbids great combinations, and sharp hand to hand encounters alone would seem to be practicable. It is evident that the national troops are advanceing, though slowly, and that the rebels are gradually falling back upon Salgo's stronghold, Kawajiri, from which he, personally, is said to have never moved. The navy cooperates, to some extent, with the army. shelling the insurgent camps on the shore, Feb. 18, Bertha (str.), from Cardiff to west of Kumamoto. According to all reports, the garrison firmly holds its own within the

Yanagiwara and Euroda, the two mess sengers sent to communicate with the Shimadau party, and to perform other auties, arrived at Kagosima with a powerful fleet on the 10th inst. The city was trails quil, and no opposition was made to the fulfilment of their various instructions Interviews with the exchaimio and his relatives are said to have afforded ample assurance that these noblemen lend no genetion to the insurrectionary movement. The imprisoned loyal officials were released, great quantitles of ammunition and military stores were seized, and the machinery was removed from the arsenals. The expedition returned to Nagasaki on the 18th. On the 18th Inst., a new versel of War, the

respect successful.

Quotations. HONGKONG, March 26, 1877. OPIUM.—New Patna, cash.... \$585 New Benares, cash, 550 New Malwa, cash, 555 credit, 560 Allowance Taels, 16 a 40 Old Malwa, cash, credit. Allowance Taels, 16 a 32 CAMPHOR, QUICKSILVER, ... Exchange. Bank, on demand, ... 8/10

BALTPETRE, ... 51 a 6.15 30 days' sight, ... 3/101 6 months' sight, ... 3/11 Documentary, 6 months' sight, ... 3/111 Bombay, ... 224 Calcutta, 224 30 days',... ... 731 Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., English Sovereigns, 840 Australian Sovereigns, ... Discount, ...

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$2,080

Union Ins. Society of Canton, 2620 Chinese Insurance Co., \$205 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 910 H.K. & W. Dock Co., 40 H.K. C. & M. S.-bost Co., \$10

Temperature. Taken at Messes Balconer & Co.'s Premises. Queen's Road.) Honekone, March 26, 1877.

1 P.M. ... 4 P.M. ... THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M 4 P. M. ... Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 1 P.M. 4 P.M. Do. Maximum. ... Do. Minimum over night

Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :--

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 16. Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to Shanghai.

from an overheated stove-pipe, or a chimney Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Hongkong.

Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hongfew losses, and be content with the fat Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to

There is no doubt that any one office openly | Nov. 28, New Kra, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-

Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Hongkong.

Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Hong-Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to

Hongkong. Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-

Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-Dec. 28, Inc. from Greenock to Swatow.

Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai. Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai. Dec. 29, Ulysses (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (at Singapore, repairing).

Fighting continues uninterruptedly in the Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong.

Hongkong. Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Shanghal Jan, 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-

Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 18. Batavia, from Hamburg to Honge

Jan. 81, Forward Ho, from London to

Feb. 2, Polynesis, from Cardiff to Honge Fob. &, Carrigal, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Honge Feb. 12, Glenartney (str.), from London to Shanghai

Feb. 12. Leading Wind, from Antwerp to

Feb. 18, Glaucus (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai. LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS. At Landon,-Steamers via Suca Canale Candia. Argentino:

Glenearn Fleurs Castle. Solndia. Bailing Vessels. Beltad Wills Sir Langelot. Olty of Aberdeen. Penrith. Antwerp, Seindig.

Kalsoff: Commissary. Lord Malaulas, Anchises (str.) O. W. Coshtant.

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Beeretary. Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Agents Hongkong & Centon. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

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NORTON & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1874,

.. NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILL INSURANCE COMPANY.

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GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are proposed to grant Insurances as follows:-Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable sither here. In London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

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THE S. S. "BELGIO," will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 8rd Proximo, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 2nd Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

Return Passage Tickets available for months are issued at a reduction of 20 par cent, on regular rates. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING AT YONOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

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Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Tokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Surope VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi S. S. Com-

pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama At New York, Passengers have selection

of various lines of Steamers to England. France and Germany. Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 18th April Parcel Packages

will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's

Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages

Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading. For further information as to Passage

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Hongkong, March 21, 1877.

To Lot.

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